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## Patterson receives ninth legislative award

**LANSING** – Sen. Bruce Patterson was honored recently with the 2005 Distinguished Service Award given by the Michigan Municipal League.

This is the ninth time in his legislative career Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, has received an award for his service to constituents.

MML is a non-partisan, voluntary association of cities and villages across the state.

Marie McKenna, spokesperson for the MML, listed several important issues where Patterson has worked hard to preserve and enhance the function of small communities.

"Helping local communities cooperate more fully with their neighbors, through such vehicles as the Watershed Alliance Act, and allowing local governments to utilize new technology for records keeping, will save local taxpayer dollars. In these and other ways, Senator Patterson has done a great deal to help local governments operate more efficiently and effectively."

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